Royalty on Coal

2848. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state the State-wise amount or royalty or coal paid to the concerned States during the year 1987-88?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COAL IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI C. K. JAFFAR SHARIEF); The royalty paid by Coal India Limited to major coal producing States during the year 1987-88 is indicated below;—

State	Royalty paid (Rs in crores) /Provision J)
West Bengal	12.76
Bihar	29.21
Orissa	3.50
Uttar Pradesh	2.49
Madhya Pradesh	21.73
Maharashtra	7.27
Assam	0.59
TOTAL	77.55

Telephones to gram panchayats

2849. SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI; Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state;

(a) the State-wise number of gram panchayats which have been provided with telephones as at the end of December, 1987;

(b) whether there is any plan to provide telephones to the remaining gram panchayats of the country;

(c) if so, by when; and

(d) what steps have so far been taken in this regard?

T«B MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRl GFRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) Such record is not being maintained. However, as a long term objective it is planned to provide telecommunication facility on fully subsidized basis preferably at one principal panchayat village in every inhabited hexagon of 5 Kms. sides in the country There are 50421 such hexagons in the country and 26.623 have been provided with telecom facility as on 31.12.1987. Balance will be provided with telecom facility progressively by the early part of the Eighth Plan.

(b) There is no such plan at present.

(e) and (d) Do not arise.

Memorandum from workers of Brentford Electric (India) Limited

2850 SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE; Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased:to state;

(a) whether Government have received a Memorandum dated 7th November, 1988 from the Brentford Electric (India) Limited Workmen's Union, Calcutta;

(b), if so, what are the salient features of the said, memorandum: and

(c) what is Government's reaction on the various points raised in the memorandum?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGALRAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Allegations have been made regrading engagement of additional man agerial personnel after nationalisation, getting jobs done through contractors and so on.

(c) Government would like maximum utilisation of existing facilities of the Company. It is proposed to advise the management on these lines.

Import of Potassium Penicillin

2851. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA;
DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI;

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Un. starred Question 3271 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 22nd August, 1988 and state;